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## COMMUNICATION

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Dear Sir:

As discussed by phone with Examiner Hunt in June 2002 when we telephoned to inquire as to the status of this application, Applicant recently discovered that an Office Action was mailed from the USPTO to Genentech on November 19, 2001. This Office Action was not received by Genentech.

A search of Genentech's electronic docketing records fails to show receipt of the November 19, 2001 Action. It is Genentech's policy to record all incoming correspondence from the USPTO in its docketing system, Alectro. If the Office Action had been received, it would have been recorded and the date for reply docketed in the Alectro-Patents file. The entry would be shown in the "Outstanding" matters field until a completion date was entered and the entry confirmed as completed. After confirmation of completed response, the entry would appear in the "Completed" matters field. A copy of the computer-generated report for this matter, USSN 09/218,481; Genentech File No. P1717, generated on June 18, 2002, does not show any documents received by Genentech and entered into the docketing system after the 5 December 2000 response (CPA) to the last docketed Office Action was filed. A copy of this report is attached.

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner provide Genentech Inc. a new copy of the Office Action and festart the date for submitting a timely response.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney for clarification of this matter, for additional information, or to otherwise further prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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